Inclusion of Castes in the List of OBCs

*523. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:
SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Castes/Communities/Sub-castes/synonyms included in the list of OBCs after 8th September, 1993, State-wise;

(b) whether the 'Sunar' community belonging to the State of Punjab and Delhi has been included in the OBCs list of reservation benefits;

(c) if so, the date from which it has been included in the list;

(d) if the answer to part (b) above be in negative, whether Government propose to include this community in the list of OBCs in the near future; and

(e) what is the policy and procedure adopted in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) The Government had notified the common lists of OBCs for 14 States namely Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh on 10th, September, 1993 vide Ministry of Welfare Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary-Part I Section I No.186, New Delhi, Monday, September, 13th, 1993. Subsequently, the lists of OBCs for 4 States and 3 UTs namely, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tripura, West Bengal, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Div and Pondichery were notified on 19th October, 1994 vide No.163. The Gazette of India Extraordinary Pat I, Details of Castes/communities included in these lists are available in the said Gazettes.

(b) and (c) The Community "Sunar" has not been included in the Central Lists of OBC for Punjab. The Central list of OBCs of NCT of Delhi is yet to be notified.

(d) and (e) The supreme Court in the Mandal Case judgement had directed the Govt. of India, each State Govt. and Administration of UTs to constitute a permanment body for entertaining, examining and recommening upon requests for inclusion and complaints of over-inclusion and under-inclusion in the lists of Other Backward Classes of citizens.

The Govt. of Inida has constituted the National Commission for Backward Classes under the Chairmanship of Justice Ram Nandan Prasad (Retd.) on 14th of August, 1993 for performing the above functions.

Any aggreived community or any community which desires inclusion in the Central list of OBCs should represent to the NCBC. The Commission after examining the representation will send its recommendation to the Govt. of India for appropriate action.

The Sunar community may also represent to the National Commission for Backward Classes for inclusion in the Central List of OBCs.

Allocation of Funds to Uttar Pradesh Under NRY.

*524. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated/released to Uttar Pradesh during the last two years and the current year under the Nehru Rozgar Yojana;

(b) whether the State Government has utilised the funds allocated/released; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the persons benefited; district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SMT. SHEILA KAUL): (a) and (b) The details of funds allocated/released to Uttar